



REGULAR BOARD MEETING ADDENDA

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2017

7:00 PM

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NEWS RELEASE

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Ministry of Education

The Province provides \$500,000 to support readers

VANCOUVER – Children and families throughout B.C. will continue to benefit from innovative literacy programs in their community thanks to a provincial investment of \$500,000 to support this year's Raise-a-Reader campaign.

The annual week-long campaign supports literacy by increasing awareness and raising money to fund community-based programs throughout B.C. Families and children engage in reading, playing and other activities that help develop literacy skills through programs, such as:

- Vancouver Public Library's Man in the Moon program, which provides opportunities for fathers and other male caregivers to learn how to support early literacy and language development in their children.
- The Kamloops literacy task group's Bright Red Bookshelves program and Bright Red Book Bus programs, which support 22 community bookshelves in Kamloops and a library bus full of books that travels to schools and parks.
- The Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy — Castlegar's Together to Learn program, which provides a healthy snack and onsite child minding for parents who are working on adult basic education courses at Kootenay Family Place.

The campaign features daily stories in the Vancouver Sun's print and online editions that highlight literacy and library programs. Anyone can donate to Raise-a-Reader online here: <https://www.canadahelps.org/dn/11502>

The campaign was created by the Vancouver Sun in 1997. Since then, the Vancouver campaign alone has raised over \$8 million with support from the Province. The government supports Raise-a-Reader in partnership with the Vancouver Sun and Decoda Literacy Solutions, the only provincewide literacy organization in British Columbia.

Quotes:

Rob Fleming, Minister of Education –

"Children throughout B.C. are getting the opportunity to develop important literacy skills in their communities, and it is thanks in large part to everyone's contributions to Raise-a-Reader this year. Literacy skills play a vital role in helping children and their families lead full and happy lives. I encourage anyone who is able to contribute what they can towards this great cause in the future."

Jacque Taylor, executive director, Decoda Literacy Solutions –

"We appreciate the government of B.C.'s ongoing support for literacy and learning."

Communities across the province benefit from Raise-a-Reader funds, creating literacy programs and services for children and families in response to their community needs.”

Leza Maloney, local marketing manager, Vancouver Sun –

“Together with our valued partners in government and throughout B.C., the Vancouver Sun’s Raise-a-Reader program provides important tools and builds fundamental life skills that we believe are vital to our communities. Postmedia is grateful to all our esteemed partners for their continued dedication and participation in this essential reading initiative.”

Learn More:

Decoda Literacy: www.decoda.ca/literacy-in-bc/

Raise-a-Reader: www.raise-a-reader.com

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NEWS RELEASE

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Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

B.C. and the Orange Shirt Society say 'Every Child Matters'

VICTORIA – The B.C. government and the Orange Shirt Society are joining forces to highlight the inter-generational impact of residential schools on children by raising awareness of the Orange Shirt Day campaign.

Government members will be joined by Orange Shirt Society president Phyllis Webstad on the steps of the B.C. Parliament Buildings to highlight the campaign, which sends a message that “Every Child Matters.”

The Orange Shirt Day campaign was founded on Webstad’s experiences of being sent to St. Joseph Mission residential school in Williams Lake in 1973 at age six. She wore a treasured orange shirt bought by her grandmother, but was stripped of the shirt when she arrived at the school. She never wore it again, but in later years, used its symbolism as the foundation of her campaign.

Orange Shirt Day occurs annually on Sept. 30 and government members took advantage of the nearest day the legislature was in session prior to the campaign day to raise the profile of this important issue.

Since the campaign began in 2013, Orange Shirt Day events happen throughout B.C. and Canada to raise awareness of the treatment of children at residential schools, and to pass the stories and history of that period onto today’s children.

Quotes:

Scott Fraser, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation –

“The Truth and Reconciliation Commission calls on us to redress the legacy of residential schools. Wearing an orange shirt doesn’t erase the trauma, but it can raise awareness of experiences that Indigenous children should never have endured and whose impact Indigenous families still live with today. I stand in humble solidarity with Residential School Survivors and their families. Phyllis and all those who are raising awareness about this important issue have my deepest respect.”

Katrine Conroy, Minister of Children and Family Development –

“Residential schools have had a multi-generational impact, and for too long, there have been system-wide assumptions and child-welfare practices that have failed First Nations children, their families and communities. We recognize that when an Indigenous child is removed from his or her home, that child is uprooted from not only their family, but their community and their culture as well. Honouring Orange Shirt Day underscores the shift government needs to

make in our relationship with B.C.'s Indigenous peoples as we strive to create better outcomes and brighter futures for all children and families in B.C.”

Phyllis Webstad, president, Orange Shirt Society –

“I am humbled and honoured that my orange shirt story is important to so many people and that it is a vehicle for change. My orange shirt story opens the door to discussion on a not so easy to talk about subject — Indian residential schools. Seeing the children in their orange shirts and learning about the true history of Canada’s First People gives me hope that the lives of my grandsons will be different and better than what I have experienced in my life.

“I am excited to be asked to sit in the legislature to receive acknowledgement for my orange shirt story. I never liked the colour orange because it brought back memories of a time when I felt that I didn’t matter to anyone. It’s still not my favourite colour, but I’ve learned to embrace it in a positive way and remind myself that I do matter.”

Learn More:

Orange Shirt Day: <http://www.orangeshirtday.org/>

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NEWS RELEASE

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Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture
viaSport

Celebrating coaches in B.C – #Thankscoach

VICTORIA – The government of British Columbia has proclaimed Sept. 23 – 30, 2017, as British Columbia Coaches Week, recognizing the impact of the more than 10,000 coaches in the province.

Coaches not only contribute to an athlete's performance, but also provide motivation, support, work ethic, and become role models who inspire athletes for success in all facets of life. This week, we commend coaches for all that they do to encourage healthy, active lifestyles at all levels of sport while helping athletes develop lifelong skills.

"My coaches provided me with the skills to succeed in the ring," says Lisa Beare, Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture and a former amateur wrestler. "The values I learned from my coaches continue to guide me throughout my career. Thank you!"

The recent success of B.C. athletes at the Canada Summer Games and North American Indigenous Games are a testament to the strength of the sport system in this province and the contribution B.C. coaches make to this system.

"Coaches have an incredible impact on all aspects of an athlete's career from introducing a new sport, to bringing out the inherent skills of a player to teaching the importance of teamwork on and off the field," says Ravi Kahlon, Parliamentary Secretary for Sport and Multiculturalism. "B.C. has incredible coaches that are recognized at all levels of sport. #Thankscoach"

In 2017, Team BC at the Canada Games brought home 146 medals, the largest number of medals ever received. Team BC at the North American Indigenous Games brought home the overall team title for the second year in a row. A key component to the success of Team BC is the strength of the coaches.

With support from the Province of British Columbia, viaSport is working with its partners to strengthen B.C.'s amateur sport system and coach development. In the last year, the Province invested over \$235,000 through viaSport to support coach development through subsidized coaching courses, professional development opportunities and grants.

"Passionate and qualified coaches who are committed to the physical, social and technical development of their athletes have a positive and lasting impact on the people they work with," says viaSport CEO, Sheila Bouman. "They have the ability to shape important lessons that allow people to thrive, both in sport and in life. That's why we take the opportunity during National Coaches Week to honour those coaches who continue to invest their time in the development of people, as well as in their own development."

To celebrate British Columbia Coaches Week, viaSport has organized a number of activities to

celebrate, train and recognize coaches throughout the province including:

- A call to all British Columbians involved in sport to submit a video showing a small act of appreciation for your coach – the winning entry will be awarded \$750 towards team expenses.
- Offering multisport National Coaching Certification programs at reduced rates to develop technical, leadership and mentoring skills for new and experienced coaches throughout British Columbia.

Quick Facts:

- In the last year, the Province invested over \$235,000 through viaSport to support coach development in B.C. through subsidized coaching courses, professional development opportunities and grants.
- viaSport and its sport partners train approximately 10,000 coaches in B.C. each year through National Coaching Certification Programs (NCCP).
- viaSport is the Provincial/Territorial Coaching Representative for British Columbia and maintains a strong partnership with the Coaching Association of Canada.
- The NCCP was launched in 1974 by the Coaching Association of Canada to standardize coach development and training across the country
- Coaches Week in B.C. has been an annual event since 2007, and this year will align with National Coaches Week across Canada.
- viaSport is a not-for-profit organization created in 2011 as a legacy of the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games. Its mandate is to increase awareness, opportunity and participation in sport throughout the province: <http://www.viasport.ca/coachesweek>

Learn More:

viaSport SURPRISE, COACH! CONTEST

In celebration of the lasting impact that coaches have on us, viaSport is calling on all British Columbians involved in sport to submit a short (30 seconds or less) video showing a small act of appreciation for your coach – the winning entry will be awarded \$750 towards team expenses i.e. travel expenses, equipment, uniforms, team celebration, etc. Find out more about the contest here: <http://www.viasport.ca/coachesweek>

NCCP COURSES OFFERED FOR \$10 THROUGHOUT B.C. DURING COACHES WEEK

viaSport Regional Alliance partners throughout B.C. will be offering multisport NCCP courses for \$10 in celebration of coaches week. That includes over 50 courses through the following regional partners throughout the province. All course listings and registration information can be found here: <http://www.viasport.ca/coachesweek>

Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture:

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/organizational-structure/ministries-organizations/ministries/tourism-arts-culture>



NEWS RELEASE

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Ministry of Finance

Government undertakes fiscal sustainability review

VICTORIA – To help inform the development of Budget 2018 and the next three-year fiscal plan, Finance Minister Carole James announced a review of financial information submitted to the Province by specific Crown corporations and the broader schools, universities, colleges and health (SUCH) sector.

Independent consultants have been contracted to help the provincial government assess the quality of financial information built into the baseline assumptions in the budget development process. The goal of the review is to assess the information, evaluate risks and identify options that will assist the Province with developing, monitoring and managing to its overall fiscal plan targets.

The review covers selected significant Crown corporations including:

- BC Lottery Corporation;
- BC Hydro;
- Insurance Corporation of British Columbia;
- Liquor Distribution Branch; and
- BC Housing Management Commission (including Provincial Rental Housing Corporation).

In addition, the review will include a high-level assessment of the information provided by SUCH sector entities through the ministries responsible for their fiscal planning, monitoring and management.

The review will be completed in advance of Budget 2018 in order for information to be incorporated and reflected in Budget 2018.

Quote:

Carole James, Minister of Finance –

“This review will help inform the decisions we make as a government as we work to build Budget 2018. My expectation is that the review will give government a better picture of the risks, finances and fiscal forecasts of significant Crown corporations and SUCH sector entities, so that we foster long-term fiscal sustainability in planning and developing our budgets and decisions. Every additional dollar that is carefully managed can be used to help make life more affordable for people, invest in services and build a strong, sustainable economy.”

Learn More:

For more information on the Fiscal Sustainability Review please go to page 51 to 54 of the *Budget 2017 Update*:

http://bcbudget.gov.bc.ca/2017_Sept_Update/bfp/2017_Sept_Update_Budget_and_Fiscal_Plan.pdf



SD69 QUALICUM

Board and Trustee Representative Committee Report

Trustee Representative: R. Elaine Young/Eve Flynn
Committee Name: Oceanside Building Learning Together Coalition
Meeting Location: Family Place
Meeting Time: September 14, 2017 at Noon

Strategic Planning:

The Coalition reviewed the Purpose, Mission and Vision as it was developed last year. We decided that we liked it and so it will be used for Oceanside Better Learning Together.

We discussed the strategic priorities we began to develop last year:

1. Decrease District 69 area EDI vulnerabilities.
2. Further strategies for Kindergarten transition.
3. Increase parent engagement and inclusivity.
4. Connect Early Years care providers and strengthen collaboration among local providers.

We decided that each will require more focus and discussion over the next year. This will guide the content of coalition meetings and may result in Interest Groups being created.

Heart-Mind Interest Group:

The conversation cards have caught the interest and attention of the province and the Dali Lama Organization. Should the current interest group continue at this point? The Coalition decided no that all information should come back to the Coalition and that energy was needed to help with the current priorities.

Resources:

<https://cr4yr.com> a website looking into best practices that support emotional and social wellbeing for young children.

Updates:

- The coalition has a number of new people at the table and we welcome them!! We are growing and becoming more inclusive of private childcare providers.
- All Coalition members reported full programs over the summer and into the fall. Everyone seems busy and energies are positive throughout the community.
- Saturday morning program starts soon at Munchkinland in Parksville.
- Spooktacular at Storybook Village in Qualicum on Tuesday, October 24th from 5:30 to 7:00 pm.
- See the OBLT website for these and other programs.

Next meeting

Thursday, October 5 at noon at Family Place.

This was my last meeting for OBLT Coalition as Julie Austin will now be our Board Representative.



SD69 QUALICUM

Board and Trustee Representative Committee Report

Trustee Representative: R. Elaine Young/Eve Flynn
Committee Name: Learning Partnership in Support of Indigenous Students at VIU
Meeting Location: Vancouver Island University (VIU)
Meeting Time: September 20 9:30-4:00

This was not a Committee Meeting as such but a funding announcement and celebration. I thought it important to report on it for the information of the Board and the Public.

The Announcement:

The Mastercard Foundation and Rideau Hall Foundation have agreed to be major donors to a fund to fully finance 250 VIU and 150 Yukon College Indigenous Students to support their post-secondary programs. This funding includes counselling and peer support for students to transition successfully and maintain their studies. This is an example of reconciliation in action.

The Celebration:

Speeches came via video from the Governor General of Canada, Provincial Ministers in Families and Youth, Education and Advanced Education. (Personally, I know Melanie Mark's own story so her video as Advanced Education Minister and Indigenous Woman brought me to tears.)

In-person speeches were provided by the President of Yukon College, and the President of VIU, The Lieutenant Governor of BC, VIU's chancellor, and the CEO's of both foundations. In addition, current Indigenous students shared the MC-ing. Each of the four cultural groups represented in the Nanaimo area shared their culture and history. (My favorite was watching the CEO's perform the Moose Dance by using hand puppets.) A feast followed.

The Process:

It starts with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. We have heard some of the truth about residential schools



SD69 QUALICUM

Board and Trustee Representative Committee Report

Trustee Representative: R. Elaine Young
Committee Name: RDN District 69 Recreation Commission
Meeting Location: Oceanside Place Meeting Room
Meeting Time: 2:00 PM September 21, 2017

The Commission is composed of representatives from Electoral Areas E, F, G and H; Town of Qualicum Beach; Parksville City and School District 69 as well as staff from Recreation. The Commission advises the RDN Board (through the chair-person of the commission).

Delegations often present to the Commission on recreation related issues in their area of interest/expertise.

Delegations:

Parksville Curling Club re: Renewal of Lease and extending lease length – decision to give this issue priority as we consider the Master Plan for the District 69 area.

Oceanside Youth Soccer re: Access to appropriate fields in the Oceanside area – decision to acknowledge the need for all weather sports fields and to give this item priority as we consider the Master Plan; and further, that staff work with all stakeholders to determine if there is a need for a sport field allocation policy; and further, that funding options for fields be explored.

Master Plan:

The Commission received the “District 69 (Oceanside) Recreation Services Master Plan: The State of Recreation in District 69 (Oceanside) Research Report.” (Document #1 134 pages) and decided that it should be used as a reference document in the development of the Recreational Services Master Plan.

While the document was presented and received, more study is needed to digest and understand the implications and recommendations in it.

Events:

Information on RDN and ACRA events for October were distributed. The upcoming ‘Active Aging Week’ events were highlighted. Details of all these programs have been published in the PQB News, and are available on-line and through the Active Living Guide.

Next meeting:

3rd Thursday in October. Time and exact place to be determined.